

MELBOURNE 2006 COMMONWEALTH GAMES

LAWN BOWLS COMPETITION – DAREBIN INTERNATIONAL SPORTS CENTRE, THORNBURY

IMPORTANT COMMUNITY INFORMATION

Event information

Lawn Bowls events will take place between 16–24 March 2006, with an expected 3,000 spectators entering the venue between 7am and 10am, and exiting between 9pm and 10pm each day. (Note: competition will end at 6pm on Sunday 19 March.)



Traffic and venue operations

During the Commonwealth Games there will be a number of changes to traffic conditions near the Darebin International Sports Centre. These changes are important in ensuring efficient traffic operations in the area. For safety reasons the speed limit will be reduced to 40 km/h outside the venue. Both sides of Darebin Road adjacent to the venue will become 'No Stopping – Tow-Away' zones. In order to maintain residential parking, a parking permit scheme will be implemented in surrounding streets during Games time.

Residential parking permit scheme

A temporary parking permit zone will be introduced in the area bound by Raleigh, Rathmines, Christmas and Arthur streets (refer to map on back). Parking restrictions, limiting parking to residents only, will be in effect from 15–26 March 2006 to preserve residential parking and deter spectators from parking in local streets. For more information on the residential parking permit scheme please contact Darebin City Council on **8470 8888**.

The existing carpark on the corner of Darebin Road and Arthur Street will be part of the venue until 31 March and will not be available for public use.

Coach operations

Coach parking will be established in streets near Darebin International Sports Centre.

Coaches arriving with groups of spectators will park in:

- Arthur Street (between Darebin Road and Steane Street)
- Arthur Street (between Steane Street and Christmas Street)
- Sparks Avenue (between Darebin Road and Steane Street)
- Station Street (between Darebin Road and Agg Street).

A coach set down/pick up facility will also be available on the north side of Darebin Road.

Public transport

Spectators are being encouraged to travel on public transport to/from all Games events, with free public transport provided on event days for Games tickets holders (Metcard services only).

Accessible spectator shuttle bus

An accessible spectator shuttle bus will operate from 6.30am – 11.45pm on 13–24 March. Frequencies will vary throughout the day depending on demand.

The peak periods are expected to be 7.30am – 10.00am and 9.30pm – 11.30pm when frequencies may be as high as one bus every 2–3 minutes.

The accessible shuttle bus will operate on the following routes.

Fairfield Station – Darebin International Sports Centre

- Fairfield Station
- Wingrove Street
- Rathmines Street
- Bastings Street
- Victoria Road
- Darebin Road
- venue.

Darebin International Sports Centre – Fairfield Station

- venue
- Darebin Road
- Grange Road
- Separation Street
- Station Street
- Wingrove Street
- Fairfield Station.



Important notes for businesses

Information to assist businesses in planning for the Commonwealth Games is available in the Business Ready Kit. The kit is available as an internet download via www.business.vic.gov.au. Please consider the following issues when planning for the Games in your area:

- Communicate impacts with your staff – discuss issues such as transport planning, car pooling and commute times.
- Advise of localised impacts and changes being put in place.

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